[Mr. T. M. Chidambaratanu Pillai.]

3. *The South Indian Match Factory.*

(*a*) Grant of twenty-five acres of land;

(*b*) timber for construction of the factory, *viz.*, soft wood timber and firewood at concessional rates; and

(*c*) an undertaking not to levy any duty or tax on the manufacture, sale or export of the matches.

4. *The Malabar Match Manufacturing Company.* 8,000 acres of *itta* growing land were leased out to the company as well as twenty five acres of house-site for building a factory were given.

Further, a system of granting loans to small industries has been sanctioned. Besides, Government are giving grants to industrial schools—mostly weaving schools.

Transfer of Mr. S. Ignatius B. A., L.T.

413. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL (*Agastisvaram*): (*a*) Have the Government received a copy of the resolutions passed at a representative public meeting of the citizens of Nanjinad regarding the transfer of Mr. S. Ignatius B. A., L. T., teacher, from Kottar to Shencottah?

(*b*) What action have the Government taken on the same?

(*c*) Was there any special reason for transferring him in the middle of the year, and, if so, what?

(*d*) What class was he teaching in the Kottar High School and with what result?

(*e*) What class is he teaching now, and why?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Director of Public Instruction received a copy of a set of resolutions said to have been passed at a meeting held at Nagercoil.

(*b*) No action was taken on it.

(*c*) Yes. Government are not prepared to disclose their reasons.

(*d*) Mr. Ignatius was teaching Forms III and VI in the English High School, Kottar.

(*e*) He is now teaching Forms III, IV and V in the English High School, Shencottah. The assignment of classes and subjects to individual teachers is a matter left to the discretion of Headmasters.

Mr. Ignasimuttu Pillai's work in the Shencottah High School.

414. MR. T. M. CHIDAMBARATANU PILLAI (*Kalkulam cum Tovala*): (*a*) Why was Mr. Ignasimuttu Pillai, B. A., L. T., A. C. P., who had been for several years teaching English, transferred from Kottar to Shencottah and assigned work in the lower forms of that school?

(*b*) For what reason did the Director of Public Instruction forbid the 'send off' proposed to be given to Mr. Ignasimuttu Pillai in connection with his transfer?

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MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYER (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The member is referred to part (*e*) of the answer to interpellation No. 463.

(*b*) The member is referred to the Government notification, dated the 15th June, 1891, published at page 59 of Volume II of the *Land Revenue Manual*.

Papers re. Mr. Ignasimuttu Pillai.

415. MR. T. M. CHIDAMBARATANU PILLAI (*Kalkulam cum Tovala*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table the following records:

(*a*) The D. O.'s sent by the Headmaster, English High School, Kottar, with the Inspector's endorsements thereon, on the strength of which Mr. S. Ignasimuttu Pillai B. A., L. T., A. I. C. P. (London), was transferred to Shencottah; and

(*b*) the reports and other communications sent by him with reference to Mr. S. Ignasimuttu Pillai after the date of his transfer and with reference to the protest meeting at Kottar?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The records referred to by the member cannot be laid on the table.

Smuggling through Quilon Land Entrance Chowkey.

416. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel cum Vilavankod*): (*a*) With reference to the answers to Questions Nos. 33 and 34 asked on the 15th Tulam, 1099, will the Government be pleased to state:

(1) whether the Excise Commissioner received a petition stating that a large quantity of cocoanut oil was taken through the Quilon Land Entrance Chowkey without paying duty in 1098;

(2) whether the Excise Commissioner was absent on any day from the Legislative Council meeting held from the 28th Minam to the 8th Medam, 1098, and if so, on which day and whether the Excise Commissioner went to Quilon on that day to enquire about that petition; and

(3) whether, as a result of that enquiry, a peon of the Land Entrance Chowkey, Quilon, was suspended, and a Sub-Inspector and the merchant who smuggled cocoanut oil were fined Rs. 5 and Rs. 100 respectively?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to call for and examine the records connected with this case?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) (1) No petition was received; but information was received by the Excise Commissioner to the effect that, of 500 tins of cocoanut oil exported through the Quilon Land Entrance Chowkey on the 25th Minam, 1098, duty was levied only on 450 tins, and immediate instructions were issued to the Assistant Excise Commissioner, Quilon, for a prompt enquiry and detailed report.

(2) The answer is in the negative.

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